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I'D OFFER THEE THIS HAND OF MINE

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Con Amore.
2nd V. I leave thee in thy hap-pi-
1st V. I'd of-fer thee this hand of
ness, As one too dear to love, As one I think of but to
mine I If could love thee less But hearts as warm and pure as
bless, As wretch-ed-ly I rove; But oh! when sorrows cup I
thine Should nev-er know dis-tress My for-tune is to hard for

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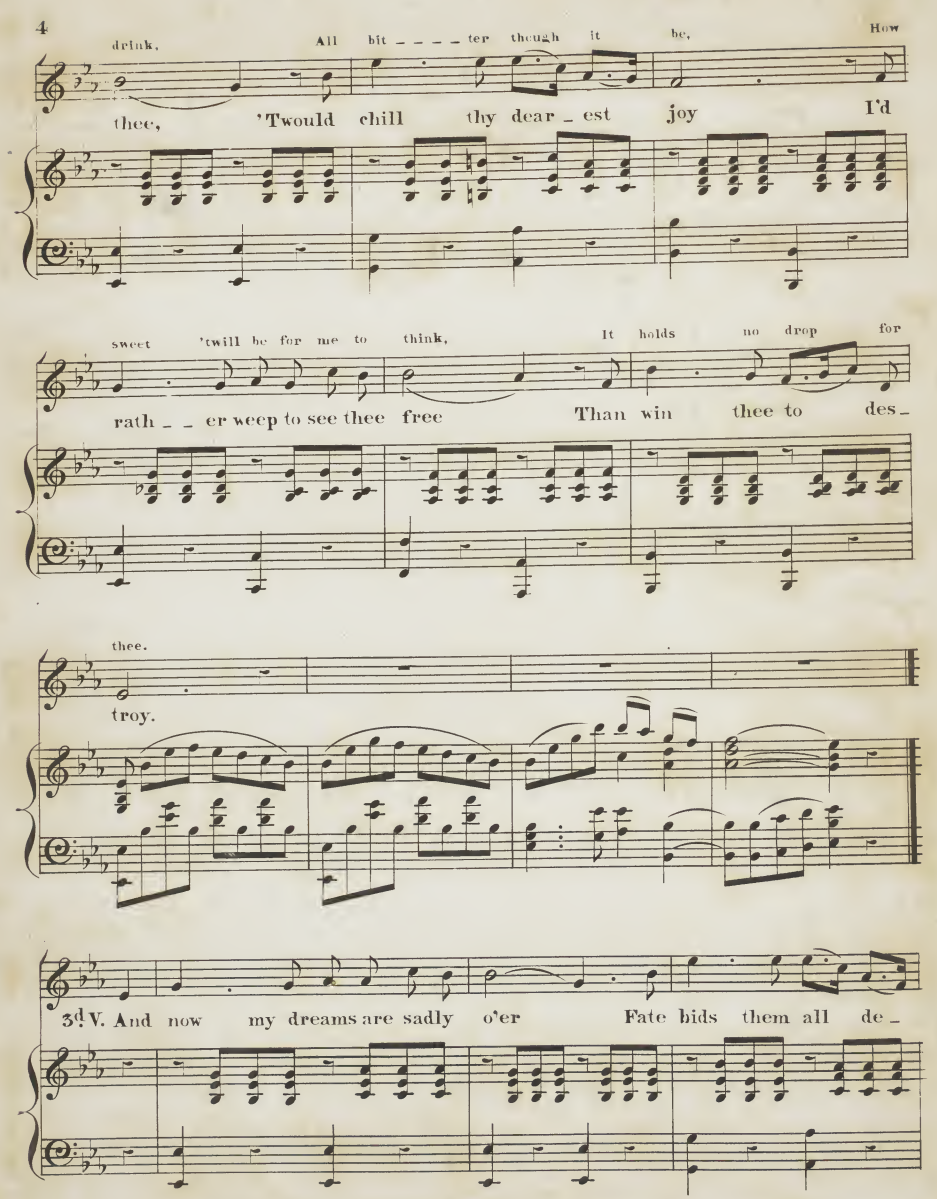
drink, All bit - - - - ter though it be, How
thee, 'Twould chill thy dear - est joy I'd
sweet 'twill be for me to think, It holds no drop for
rath - - er weep to see thee free Than win thee to des -
thee.
troy.
3d V. And now my dreams are sadly o'er Fate bids them all de -

part. And I must leave my native shore In bro _ ken _ ness of
heart; Then oh! dear one, when far from thee I ne'er know joy a _ _
gain, I would not, that one thought of me Should give my bo _ _ som
pain.